ORDINANCE NO. 1590

AN ORDINANCE REDUCING THE FEES FOR THE USE OF UTILITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, that the following sections of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grand Junction be amended to read as follows:

1. That Section 14-12 of Chapter 14 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grand Junction will be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 14-12 FEES

(A) COLLECTION AT GROUND LEVEL AND WITHIN TEN FEET.

The fees for collection and disposal of refuse placed for collection at ground level and not more than ten feet distant from the curb of the street or side of the alley from which collection is made shall be at the following monthly rates, collected monthly with the water bill as follows:

(1) <u>Residential Rate.</u> Includes all residential uses and "community facilities, non-commercial" as defined in the current city zoning ordinance.

(a) Single family dwellings: \$1.95 per month for weekly collection of all refuse.

(b) Double or multi-family dwellings: The following monthly rates shall apply for weekly collection of all refuse at a single pickup point for each building:

- 2 units . . . \$3.15
- 3 units . . . 4.35
- 4 units . . . 5.55
- 5 units . . . 6.75
- 6 units . . . 7.95
- 7 units . . . 9.15
- 8 units . . . 10.35

In instances where multi-family residential uses have five or more units, owners may elect to be charged according to the commercial rate as set forth in paragraph (A) (2) (a) of this section.

(2) <u>Commercial Rate.</u> Includes all assembly, institutional business and commercial uses.

(a) The minimum charge will be \$2.70 per month which shall provide weekly collection of up to 155 gallons of refuse. Rates for increased frequency of collection based on the equivalent of five (5) thirty-one (31) gallon containers (155 gallons) per pickup shall be:

Once a week service . . . \$2.70 Twice a week service . . . 4.70 Three times a week service . . . 6.70 Four times a week service . . . 8.70 Five times a week service . . . 10.70 Six times a week service . . . 12.70

For each additional thirty-one (31) gallons per pickup, or part thereof an additional charge of fifty cents (50¢) shall be added to the monthly rate.

(b) Service for supermarkets and other large volume producers, in trailers and chutes shall be at the rate of sixty (60¢) per cubic yard per pickup.

(c) Service for restaurants, cafes, cocktail lounges, etc. (all "restaurant business limited" uses as defined in the current zoning ordinance) shall be provided at the standard commercial rate as set forth in 14-12 A(2).

(d) The monthly rental and service charge for the collection of sanitation tanks shall be as follows:

Tank Size in Cubic Yds.12 346810				
Rental per				

month\$ 2.50\$5 .00\$6. 00\$ 7.00\$ 9.00\$1 1.00 \$14.00				
1st tank weekly pickup 3.306. 608.80 11.001 5.0019 .00 22.00				
Each collec tion twice to six3.0 06.008 .5011. 0015.0 019.00 22.00				
Additi onal tank weekly pickup 2.504. 956.50 8.0011 .0015. 0016.0 0				

Each collec tion twice to six2.2 54.506 .258.0 011.00 15.001 6.00				

1. The monthly service charge for handling compacted material placed in tanks, from stationary compactors shall be at 300% of the standard tank rate.

2. The monthly service charge for handling and servicing portable compactors shall be based on the capacity of the unit and shall be at 300% of the comparable tank rate.

(3) <u>Industrial Rate.</u> Includes all industry uses as defined in the current city zoning ordinance.

(a) The minimum charge shall be \$4.00 per month which shall provide weekly collection of up to 155 gallons of refuse not to exceed 250 pounds in weight.

(b) Additional service by frequency or volume may be provided individual industrial users on a cost basis determined upon consideration of the frequency, volume weight, loading out difficulty and nature of material to be disposed of.

(B) COLLECTION AT OTHER THAN GROUND LEVEL OR MORE THAN TEN FEET.

Where the collection of refuse from other than ground level or from more than ten feet from the curb of the street or side of the alley is accepted by the city, the fee shall be that of paragraph (A)(2)(a) above, plus a fee set out by the sanitation division subject to appeal of the city manager which shall be deemed by him to cover the cost of the extra service rendered.

(C) DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS.

All accounts shall be considered delinquent if not paid within forty-five (45) days after the date of billing and if not paid within that time shall become delinquent, and the service shall be shut off without notice unless otherwise resumed thereafter only on payment of the accumulated fees for the period of collection and the period of noncollection plus two dollars (\$2.00) unless the city manager specifically directs otherwise; provided further that the water service may be discontinued to enforce collection of delinquent accounts hereunder in addition to any other remedy provided. The stoppage of services hereinbefore authorized for nonpayment of collection charges shall be in addition to the right of the city to proceed for collection of such unpaid charges in the manner provided by law for the collection of a municipal claim.

(D) USE OF LANDFILL.

Any person having the permission of the sanitation division to use the city landfill for the disposal of refuse shall pay a fee fixed by the sanitation division subject to the right of appeal to the city manager. Such fee shall be based on the cost of disposal.

2. That Section 25-47 of Chapter 25 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grand Junction shall be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 25-47. (a) There shall be levied and assessed upon each lot, parcel of land, building or premises having any connection, or eligible for connection under Sec. 25-18 of the Code with the sewer system of said city, sewer service charges or rentals as follows:

(1) Single family dwelling \$2.05 per month.

(2) Duplex family dwelling \$4.10 per month.

(3) Multiple family dwelling three or more \$6.15 per month plus \$1.00 per month for each additional unit.

(4) Rooming houses 2.05 per month plus 40¢ per month for each room available for renting.

(5) Commercial properties including hotels and motels Forty percent (40%) of the charge made for water Rate #1 to the closest multiple of five cents (5¢) with minimum charge of \$2.05.

(6) Industrial and manufacturing uses. An amount to be agreed upon between the city and the user based on volume of sewage, biochemical oxygen demand, suspended solids, grease and other accepted criteria.

(7) Outside city sewer service charges. Charges for service shall be made at double the equivalent city rate, except where otherwise provided by contract.

(8) Septic tank operators disposal charges. Charges for 650 gallons or less tank trucks at receiving platform Water Pollution Control Plant \$2.05 per load. (Excludes sand, oil and grease trap cleanings which are prohibited.)

(b) No connection shall be made to the city's sewerage system until a permit therefor has been obtained from the building department of the city and a fee of five dollars (\$5.00) paid for such permit.

(c) The cost of connection to the city's sewerage system shall be as provided in Section 18-19 of this Code. The cost therein provided for contemplates that the city will perform the installation of the required laterals. The City Engineer may determine that the laterals are to be installed by the proposed connector, in which event, the connection charges may be adjusted by the engineer to effect a fairness of charge for the connection.

3. That Sections 31-12 and 31-16 of Chapter 31 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grand Junction be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 31-12. METER RATES.

The following monthly rates shall apply to all water used and measured by a water meter:

(a) RATE NO. 1 COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL RATE (WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS).

(1) <u>Rate.</u> Minimum charge (3,000 gallons or less) per month: \$3.00. Charge for each 1,000 gallons thereafter as follows:

Next 7,000 gallons 40¢

Next 10,000 gallons 35¢

Next 980,000 gallons 30¢

Next 1,000,000 gallons 25¢

Over 2,000,000 gallons 20¢

(2) <u>Applicability</u>. The above rates shall apply to all users within the city limits except those users covered under subsection (e) hereof. It shall be the duty of all owners and/or operators of multiple dwellings, duplex dwellings, and apartments to certify in writing to the utilities department the location thereof and the number of family units therein. Where more than one single-family dwelling is served through a single meter, a minimum charge of \$1.50 shall be made for each family dwelling thus served, with credit being given for a corresponding quantity of water on the total consumption. All excess water shall be at the rate in the above schedule.

(b) RATE NO. 2 COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL RATE (OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS).

(1) <u>Rate.</u> Minimum charge (3,000 gallons or less) per month: \$6.00. Charge for each 1,000 gallons thereafter as follows:

Next 7,000 gallons 80¢

Next 10,000 gallons 70¢

Next 980,000 gallons 60¢

Next 1,000,000 gallons 50¢

Over 2,000,000 gallons 40¢

(2) <u>Applicability</u>. The above rate shall apply to all users outside the city limits except suburban schools, manufactories, greenhouses, bulk water companies supplying five (5) or more users and on flow line.

(3) <u>Multiple service through one meter</u>. Where more than one family unit or use, but less than five (5), is served through a single meter, or where a group of individual family units, less than five (5), is served by a party line through a master meter, a minimum charge shall be made for each family unit or use thus served, with credit being given for a corresponding quantity of water on the total consumption. All excess shall be at the above rate.

(c) RATE NO. 3. COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL RATE (OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS - ON FLOW LINE).

(1) <u>Rate.</u> Minimum charge (3,000 gallons or less) per month: \$6.00. Charge for each 1,000 gallons thereafter 60¢ per 1,000 gallons.

(2) <u>Applicability</u>. The above rate shall apply to all users outside the city limits on the flow line, except suburban schools, manufactories, greenhouses and bulk water companies supplying five (5) or more users.

(3) <u>Multiple service through one meter.</u> Where more than one family unit, but less than five (5) is served through a single meter, or where a group or individual family units less than five (5) is served by a party line through a master meter, a minimum charge shall be made for each family unit thus served, with credit being given for a corresponding quantity of water on the total consumption. All excess shall be at the above rate.

(d) RATE NO. 4. SUBURBAN SCHOOLS, MANUFACTORIES, GREENHOUSES AND BULK WATER COMPANIES (OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS).

(1) <u>Rate.</u> Minimum charge (3,000 gallons or less) per month: \$3.95. Charge for each 1,000 gallons thereafter shall be as follows:

Next 7,000 gallons 50¢

Next 10,000 gallons 45¢

Next 98,000 gallons 40¢

Next 1,000,000 gallons 35¢

Over 2,000,000 gallons 30¢

(2) <u>Applicability</u>. The above rate shall apply to suburban schools, manufactories, greenhouses (including hot beds when operated in connection with and as a part of such greenhouse), and bulk water companies supplying five (5) or more users.

(e) RATE NO. 5. USERS OF WATER FROM THE UTE WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT SYSTEM (WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS).

(1) <u>Rate.</u> Minimum charge (3,000 gallons or less) per month: \$4.35. Charge for each 1,000 gallons thereafter shall be as follows:

Next 7,000 gallons 60¢

Next 10,000 gallons 55¢

Next 980,000 gallons 50¢

Next 1,000,000 gallons 45¢

Over 2,000,000 gallons 40¢

(2) <u>Applicability</u>. The above rate shall apply to those city residents using water from the Ute Water Conservancy District System and considered and billed by the city as individual customers under the agreement between said district and the city.

(3) <u>Multiple service through one meter</u>. Where more than one family unit is served through a single meter, or where a group of individual family units is served by a party line through a master meter, a minimum charge shall be made for each family unit thus served, with credit being given for a corresponding quantity of water on the total consumption. All excess shall be at the above rate.

(f) RATE FOR UNMETERED WATER.

Where it is presently impractical to install water meters to measure the consumption of water for irrigation purposes by users within or outside the city (the word user not here including the City of Grand Junction), a charge to each user, for the period April through September of each year shall be made. Such charge shall be determined by multiplying the acreage involved by two (2) (the average acre feet of water used for irrigation purposes) with this total than being multiplied by \$105.00. Such computer charge shall be billed on twelve (12) equal payments on a monthly basis.

(g) FAMILY UNIT DEFINED.

As used in this chapter, a family unit shall mean a building or part thereof occupied as a permanent abiding place by one or more individuals living and cooking on the premises as a single housekeeping unit.

Sec. 31-16. CHARGE FOR WATER SOLD BY THE TANK.

Water sold by the tank by the city shall be charged for at the following rates:

Minimum charge for 300 gallons, or less 75¢

For each additional 100 gallons thereafter 7¢

4. This Ordinance shall take effect with the billings sent after January 1, 1976.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 5th day of November, 1975.

Lawrence L. Kozisek

President of the Council

Attest:

Neva B. Lockhart

City Clerk

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing ordinance, being Ordinance No. 1590, was introduced, read, and ordered published by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado, at a regular meeting of said body held on the 22nd day of October, 1975, and that the same was published in The Daily Sentinel, a newspaper published and in general circulation in said City, at least ten days before its final passage.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of said City this 6th day of November, 1975.

Neva B. Lockhart

Neva B. Lockhart City Clerk Published October 27, 1975 Published November 7, 1975 Effective January 1, 1976